



Public Law 87-529  
87th Congress, H. R. 8031  
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## An Act

To amend the Communications Act of 1934 in order to give the Federal Communications Commission certain regulatory authority over television receiving apparatus.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 303 of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 303) is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following: Television receiving apparatus.  
48 Stat. 1082.

“(s) Have authority to require that apparatus designed to receive television pictures broadcast simultaneously with sound be capable of adequately receiving all frequencies allocated by the Commission to television broadcasting when such apparatus is shipped in interstate commerce, or is imported from any foreign country into the United States, for sale or resale to the public.” 76 STAT. 150.  
76 STAT. 151.

SEC. 2. Part I of title III of the Communications Act of 1934 is amended by inserting at the end thereof a new section as follows: 47 USC 301-329.

“PROHIBITION AGAINST SHIPMENT OF CERTAIN TELEVISION RECEIVERS

“SEC. 330. (a) No person shall ship in interstate commerce, or import from any foreign country into the United States, for sale or resale to the public, apparatus described in paragraph (s) of section 303 unless it complies with rules prescribed by the Commission pursuant to the authority granted by that paragraph: *Provided*, That this section shall not apply to carriers transporting such apparatus without trading in it.

“(b) For the purposes of this section and section 303(s)— Stop Definitions.

“(1) The term ‘interstate commerce’ means (A) commerce between any State, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or any possession of the United States and any place outside thereof which is within the United States, (B) commerce between points in the same State, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or possession of the United States but through any place outside thereof, or (C) commerce wholly within the District of Columbia or any possession of the United States.

“(2) The term ‘United States’ means the several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the possessions of the United States, but does not include the Canal Zone.”

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